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NON-WOVEN FABRIC, AND ARTICLE TO WHICH THE
ELECTRET NON-WOVEN FABRIC IS APPLIED

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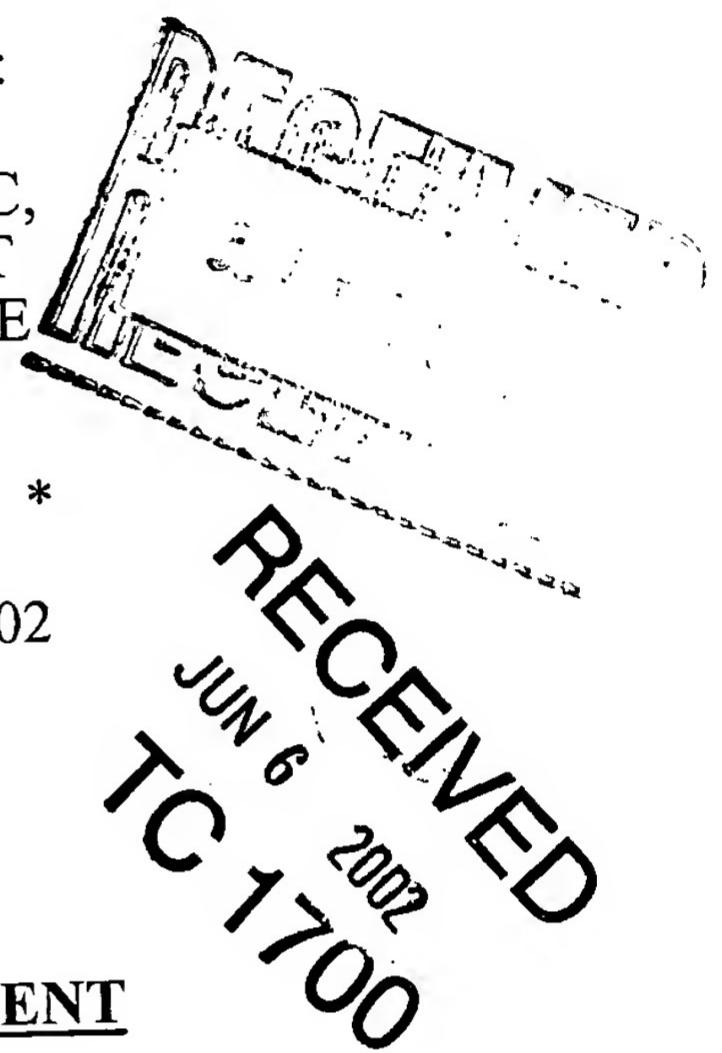
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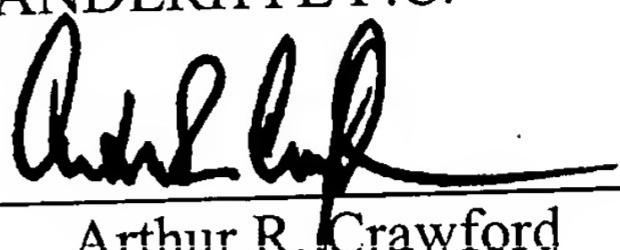
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